



WPHS GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, September 22, 2017

School pictures will be taken as follows: Freshmen and Seniors on Monday, September 25, Sophomores and Juniors on Tuesday, September 26 and make-up's will be taken on Wednesday, September 27. The senior class group picture will be taken first thing Tuesday morning in the gym.

Wednesday, September 27 is See You at the Pole. The WPHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes Club invites students and staff to join them at our flagpole on the front plaza for prayer before school starts on Wednesday. *See You at the Pole*, the global day of student prayer, began in 1990 as a grass roots movement with ten students praying at their school. Twenty years later, millions pray on their campuses on the fourth Wednesday in September.

Anyone interested in **joining SkillsUSA** may attend the Fall Leadership Conference at Cedar lakes Conference Center in Ripley, WV November 1 and November 2. It is an overnight trip that students get to connect with SkillsUSA chapters and it provides a good structure of what Skills USA is really about. See Ms. Hillberry for permission forms and more information.

Students currently taking French, Spanish, or German who are interested in the **Paris, Madrid, and Munich trip** should see their World Language teacher, or Mr. Demarest in G341, for more information. The application deadline is October 2, so act quickly!

Ways to help – Bike Wheeling is holding a Bike Rodeo on Saturday, September 30 at Wheeling Heritage Port from 9 a.m. – noon. WPHS students are requested to volunteer. You can fulfill your community service hours by volunteering from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. on that Saturday. **You must register to volunteer on the BikeWheeling.org website.** This is a great opportunity to serve local children in our community, plus every volunteer will get plenty of food and free swag!

HOSA Fall Leadership – Students attending the HOSA Fall Leadership need to turn in forms before September 27. See Ms. Stillion if you are going or need a consent form.

Our **Band is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner** on October 22 from noon till 6 p.m. in our Food Court. \$10 for adults, \$6 for 12 and under. Tickets are available at the door or call 304 218-8994. Takeout is available.

Homecoming! The game is Friday, September 22 and the dance is Saturday, September 23 from 7-10 p.m. in our gymnasium. If you are bringing a date who is not a WPHS student you need a Guest Permission Form. These are available in the Student Management and the Main Office and are due back by the end of the day on Thursday, September 21. Tickets are \$5 for a single and \$10 per couple. **Make sure you have your ID.** You have to present it at the dance. If you need a new one they are \$3. Please don't wait until the last minute.

There will be a presentation titled, **"Preparing for Scholarships"** by Mary Palma, WMS teacher whose children both got numerous scholarships that paid for college. The presentation will be on October 5, 2017 at 6 p.m. in the WPHS Phyllis A. Beneke Theater. This is appropriate for freshmen and sophomore students and parents. Call your child's counselor if you have questions.

PTO is Wednesday, September 27 and in addition to meeting with teachers, there will be two presentations from our counseling department. From 5-6 p.m. Dr. Jill Maloney will be presenting on Suicide Awareness for Parents. Students are welcome to attend with their parents if interested. This is a subject greatly affecting our teenagers today especially with the new Netflix Series 13 Reasons Why. The second season will be airing the spring. Dr. Maloney can help open up the lines of communication regarding this topic and your children. This will be in the Phyllis A. Beneke Theater. And then from 6-7 p.m. Jen Short and Emily Trifaro will be discussing senior year and what students need to be doing during this crucial school year! Topics will include applying for college and scholarships, financial aid, ACT/SAT, and NCAA Clearinghouse. NCAA will be the last topic so parents with children not interested in Division I and Division II sports can leave. They will also be available to answer any questions. This would be appropriate for Senior and Junior parents who want to get a head start. It will be held in the Phyllis A. Beneke.

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser – On September 30 from 8 – 10 a.m. Health Science HOSA and FCCLA will be having a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser at Applebee’s at the Highlands. Tickets are \$5 each and take out is offered in addition to dining in service. Proceeds are to support Leadership Competitions and travel for HOSA and for FCCLA. Contact Lisa Stillion or Mary Ellen Cook for tickets. Students who sold tickets – please bring your money to Ms. Stillion by Tuesday, September 26.

ATTENTION SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS! Now is the time to register for the PSAT given on Wednesday, October 11th. For JUNIORS, this exam is also the Qualifying Exam for the National Merit Scholarship. The **cost of the exam is \$16** and you can register with the counseling office secretaries. Checks may be payable to Wheeling Park High School. Registration will run through **Thursday, October 5th**. Register early so you can use the practice test in the Student Bulletin! Please see Ms. Patton in Counseling Office if you have any questions. **THIS PSAT TEST WILL BE USED FOR STIFEL AWARD ELIGIBILITY FOR WPHS SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS.**

Guidance: College visits are as follows: (Students should sign up for the college visits a day ahead of time.)

College	Date	Period	Location
WVU	Tuesday, September 26	7	Food Court
College Fair – See below	Monday, October 30	2 & 3	Oglebay
WLU Campus Visit - See below	Monday, November 6	3-6	West Liberty
Wheeling Jesuit	Wednesday, November 8	3	Tech 4

The Davis-Michael **Scholars Program of WVU and WV Veterinary Medical Association** invite interested high school students to the Seventh Annual Veterinary Career Day on Saturday, October 7, from 9 a.m. - 2p.m. at the WVU Erickson Alumni Center in Morgantown. To learn more and to register, please visit davismichael.wvu.edu. The last day to register is September 29.

Seniors: **College Fair will be Monday, October 30 from 8-10 a.m.** Seniors attending will be transported on a supervised bus. Permission slips are available in the Guidance Office and are due back by Monday October 16, 2017 no later than 2:30. No student may drive to the College Fair.

Seniors – **West Liberty University is having a Campus Tour** on Monday, November 6 from 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Seniors attending will be transported on a supervised school bus. Permission slips are available in the Guidance Office and are due back by Monday, October 16, 2017. No student may drive.

Pass/Fail forms are now available. Please see your counselor for a Pass/Fail form. Some students opt to take elective courses Pass/Fail in order to increase their GPA. Remember, you must have completed the graduation requirement for that subject before you take a course Pass/Fail. Honor Cords are not considered for English and Social Studies if the elective courses are taken as Pass/Fail. You are permitted to take **one** course Pass/Fail per semester. Please see the handbook or your counselor for questions. The deadline to turn in the completed Pass/Fail form to your counselor is October 2, 2017. No exceptions.

FACULTY/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This week there is no Activity Period however all students will attend an assembly from 9-10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 27.

Beth Durkin needs about 200 empty gallon milk or water jugs. If you could donate a few it would be a great help! Either drop them off to her in R211 or in the Main Office and we will get them to her. Thanks

Help J.P. Coss Fundraiser Steak Fry is being held on September 29, 2017. Tickets are for sale in our school store. Steak Fry tickets are \$25 each. 50/50 are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. There is also a raffle for 2 Kayaks at \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Please support WPHS graduate, J.P. Coss.